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Managing Projects Presenter Bios



Presenter: William Carroll, Deloitte

Project Management: "Project Estimating: 3 Pillars to Successful Project Estimation Learned the Hard Way"

Wil Carroll is a Principal with Deloitte Consulting LLP and leads both Deloitte's work in the State of Montana as well as Deloitte's National Integrated Eligibility practice. Over that last 20 years Wil has delivered numerous large and complex technology implementation projects for State governments including Massachusetts, Montana, Pennsylvania, Alaska, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Wil lives in Montana City with his wife, three young sons and half- hearted bird dog.



Presenter: Anthony Cochenour, Hoplite Industries, Inc

Project Management: "How to Increase Project Success"

Anthony Cochenour has twenty years of network, digital forensics and software development experience. In late 1997 he created a successful regional ISP, PrimeMedia, which served MT and WY and in 1999 became the CTO of Bozeman-based BridgeBand Communications, among the first commercial broadband service providers in the region. In 2003 he took on the challenge of modernizing and expanding global data center and voice networks for RightNow Technologies in support of their disruptive CRM platforms. In his tenure at RightNow he led efforts to deploy seven data centers and over a dozen international voice POPs which have since served billions of customer interactions globally. In 2008 he accepted an engineering position with Cisco Systems to help provide design and implementation support for customers globally. In his nearly six years at Cisco he received dozens of technical, business and performance awards including Cisco's coveted Engineer of the Year in 2011.

For the past twelve years he has maintained his status as a certified, court-recognized digital forensics expert specializing in Internet and communications-related cases. He is an active member of the FBI's InfraGard program, and actively volunteers to help educate students and families on topics such as online safety and cyber bullying. Most recently, and after developing the its core Behavioral Malware Detection technologies, Anthony is leading Hoplite Industries, Inc., headquartered in Bozeman, MT. Anthony holds a BS in Information Systems and actively maintains a number of top-tier IT industry certifications.

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Presenter: Tony Etherington, Montana Department of Transportation

Project Management: "The Many Hats of an IT Project Manager"

Tony Etherington is a Project Manager/Business Analyst for the Department of Transportation. He received his Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification in June of 2010 and his Certified Business Analyst (CBAP) designation in August of 2011. Tony has worked as a business analyst on numerous business projects at MDT addressing documenting current business processes; identifying business problems and opportunities; identifying possible solutions; and defining the proposed solution. As a project manager Tony has led business teams in implementing business process changes, organizational changes and technology changes.



Presenter: Kreh Germaine, DNRC

Project Management: "Managing a GIS Project: DNRC's State Water Plan"

Kreh Germaine is the GIS Manager for the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. He has a Master of Science degree in Geographic Information Science and roughly 15 years in the IT industry. He has managed a number of GIS related projects both for the State of Montana and previously for a local government in Nebraska.

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Presenter: Fred Seip, Aspect Software

Project Management: "OPI Direct Certification Application Case Study"

Fred is currently a Principal Managing Consultant with Aspect Software and has worked as a PM in the IT field for the past 7+ years. During that time, he has worked on managing a broad range of projects ranging from email migrations to CRM implementations. Fred served as the Contractor Project Manager for the CRM based Direct Certification solution (DCA) for the State of Montana's Office of Public Instruction (OPI).



Presenter: Drew Swayne, DNRC

Project Management: "Managing a GIS Project: DNRC's State Water Plan"

Drew Swayne is a GIS Analyst and Technical Lead with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation out of Helena, and has been with the department for close to three years. He is the Helena Lead Analyst providing geospatial solutions for the Water Resources Division and related agency programs. In his free time, Drew spends his time breaking gear in his two favorite passions, mountain biking and skiing.